

FISCAL NOTE

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PHYSICAL THERAPISTS YOUTH ATHLETES HEAD TRAUMA **Bill Topic:**

□ TABOR Refund Summary of □ State Revenue State Expenditure (minimal) □ Local Government **Fiscal Impact:**

□ State Transfer □ Statutory Public Entity

This bill allows a licensed physical therapist to evaluate a concussed youth athlete and provide clearance for the athlete to return to play. This will minimally increase

workload for the Department of Regulatory Agencies.

Appropriation Summary:

No appropriation is required.

Fiscal Note Status:

The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill.

Summary of Legislation

This bill adds a licensed physical therapist to the definition of "health care provider" for the purposes of the required head trauma guidelines. This allows a licensed physical therapist to evaluate a concussed youth athlete and provide clearance for the athlete to return to play.

State Expenditures

The Board of Physical Therapy in the Department of Regulatory Agencies may have an increase in workload to conduct outreach to physical therapists about the change in law and to respond to additional questions and complaints. This workload increase can be accomplished within existing appropriations.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect August 2, 2019, if the General Assembly adjourns on May 3, 2019, as scheduled, and no referendum petition is filed.

HB 19-1208

State and Local Government Contacts

Information Technology Law Regulatory Agencies